

Nature Center Activities

Turkey Run State Park

Sunday, March 29

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – Help a naturalist put out bird seed and work in our wildlife observation area, and then watch out the windows to see who comes for breakfast!

10:30am Naturally Indiana – Enjoy a 45-minute video tour of some of Indiana's beautiful natural areas. Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – Let a naturalist give you a tour of the Spring stars during a 40-minute planetarium show. *Reservations recommended on weekends.* Must be seated by 2. Nature Center.

Monday thru Friday, March 30-April 3

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above.

Saturday, April 4

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

10:30am Let's Get Out The Snakes! – Come to the nature center and we'll bring out our live captive native snakes for you to touch and investigate. 40-minute activity.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above. *Reservations*

***3pm Nesting Birds** – Join a naturalist for a 1-hour moderate hike to find bird nests and watch parents raise their babies. Nature Center.

Sunday, April 5

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

10:30am Bats: The True Story – Discover how beneficial bats really are, and learn how to make a bat house that might attract them to your yard. House plans will be available after this 35-minute video. Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above. *Reservations*

Monday thru Friday, April 6-10

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above.

***Healthy Parks – Healthy People: Get "INShape" with us or discover how to keep a state park healthy at these programs**

Saturday, April 11

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

10:30am Calling All Owls – Gather in the nature center to hear all about some common owls and make a beautiful owl to fly home with you. 40-minute family program.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above. *Reservations*

***3pm Trail 3 Trek** – Experience the rugged beauty of Trail 3 in a whole new way. 1½-hour hike begins at the nature center.

Sunday, April 12

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See listing.

10:30am Blooming Secrets – Enjoy a gorgeous 20-min. native wildflower video at the nature center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above. *Reservations*

Monday thru Friday, April 13 thru 17

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above.

Earth Day Fest

At the Nature Center

Saturday, April 18

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing..

***10am-12:30pm Earth Day Activities:**

Recycled Crafts: bird feeders, bottle rockets & more!
Solar Heat: woodburning, pizza oven, cold frame plans
Leave No Trace: Hiking/backpacking
Composting: bin plans, worms, easy directions
Going Native: yard design to attract wildlife

***All Day: Nature Scavenger Hunt**

1pm The Lorax – A Dr. Suess classic animated feature.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous.

***3pm YOU Own This Park** – Join us for a 1½-hour rugged hike. Climb cliffs & canyons. See soaring birds & strange plants. Frolic with ferns & fish. Tour turtle and snake country. Spend some time exploring YOUR Indiana State Park, and see how parks help keep Indiana healthy! Hike begins on the nature center's front porch.

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Sunday, April 19

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – Help a naturalist put out bird seed and work in our wildlife observation area, and then watch out the windows to see who comes for breakfast!

10:30am On The Wings of a Monarch – Enjoy a 45-minute video tour of a central Mexico monarch sanctuary, and see monarch behavior up close. Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – Let a naturalist give you a tour of the Spring stars during a 40-minute planetarium show. *Reservations recommended on weekends. Must be seated by 2.* Nature Center.

Monday & Friday, April 20 & 24

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above.

Tuesday thru Thursday, April 21-23

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above.

Spring Wildflower Day

Saturday, April 25

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

***10:30am Medicinal Wildflowers of the Park** – Enjoy a 45-minute program with full-color slides and live plants. Guest Karen Staub will share the beauty and medicinal nature of these natives. Nature Center.

11:30am Attract Wildlife To Your Backyard – Let a naturalist help you create a landscaping plan wild animal can't resist during a 30-minute program at the nature center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above. *Reservations*

***3pm What's Blooming?** – Take a walk with a naturalist to experience the fragrant beauty of the Spring woods. 1-hour moderate hike. Nature Center.

7:30pm A New Perspective On Richard Lieber – Join us for a very special evening as Ed Timm takes us through the life and times of Col. Richard Lieber, father of Indiana State Parks. This 1-hour program features Lieber's association with fine art and historic homes, and shows how his early influences shaped the forward-thinking conservationist he became. Coffee and desserts follow.

Sunday, April 26

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

10:30am A Mother Hummingbird's Life – Meet in the nature center auditorium to watch a hummingbird build a nest, raise her young, and go about the business of life, hummingbird style! 25-minute video.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above. *Reservations*



Monday, April 27

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See above.

Earn pins, kerchiefs, patches & more!

Hoosier Quest Program

Sign up at the Nature Center

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Children under the age of 14 must be with an adult while attending programs or visiting the nature center.

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For more interpretive programs, visit

<http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/12066.htm>